

his securities, was taken up, read the second time, considered and assented to.

Mr. Speed, from the committee to whom was referred the bill from the senate, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for enlarging the power of the high court of chancery, reported, that the committee have had the same under consideration, and were of the opinion, that it ought to pass, without amendment.

Mr. Stricker, from the committee to whom was referred the bill from the senate, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the better regulation of apprentices, also reported, that the committee have had the same under consideration, and were of the opinion, that it ought to pass, without amendment. And,

Mr. Stricker, from the committee to whom was referred the bill from the senate, entitled, An act relating to bail in civil actions, also reported, that the committee have had the same under consideration, and were of the opinion, that it ought to pass, without amendment.

Which said bills were severally read the second time, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. Tyson, that the house now proceed to the consideration of the report of the committee to whom was referred the petition of Alexander Nisbet, administrator de bonis non of Thomas Cockey Deye, late of Baltimore county, deceased.

Mr. Stevens required a call of the house, conformably to the 27th rule; the roll was accordingly called, and the door keeper sent for the absent members, now in this city.

On motion by Mr. Chapman, the house agreed, during the absence of the door-keeper, to consider the bill, reported by Mr. Edward Hughes, from the committee on ways and means, entitled, An act to regulate the issuing of licenses to the keepers of ordinaries and retailers of spirituous liquors. And in the progress of the second reading thereof, on motion by Mr. Ridgaway, the third section was amended, by striking therefrom, the words "them to authorise," in the second and third lines, also the words "they could themselves," in the fourth and last line thereof, and by substituting for the last words stricken two, "the judges could."

On motion by Mr. John W. Thomas, the fourth section of said bill was amended by striking out the words "twenty-five dollars," the rate required to be paid by an ordinary keeper for a license, for a year, and substituting therefor "sixteen dollars."

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the fourth section was then stricken out.